IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1.-14. (Cancelled)
- 15. (New) A glutathione derivative having a formula:

wherein R is a thiol protection group.

- 16. (New) The glutathione derivative of claim 15 wherein R is H or acetyl.
- 17. (New) A medicament comprising a glutathione derivative of claim 15.
- 18. (New) The medicament of claim 18 wherein the medicament is an antiviral medicament.
- 19. (New) A method of treating a disease caused by Paramyxoviruses comprising administration of an effective amount of a glutathione derivative of claim 15 to an individual in need thereof.

- 20. (New) A method of treating a disease caused by Orthomyxoviruses comprising administration of an effective amount of a glutathione derivative of claim 15 to an individual in need thereof.
- 21. (New) A method of treating a disease caused by Herpes Simplex-1 comprising administration of an effective amount of a glutathione derivative of claim 15 to an individual in need thereof.
- 22. (New) A method of treating a disease caused by HIV comprising administration of a glutathione derivative of claim 15 to an individual in need thereof.
- 23. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a glutathione derivative of claim 15, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, diluent, or mixture thereof.
- 24. (New) A method of treating a virus infection comprising administration of an effective amount of a glutathione derivative of claim 15 to an individual in need thereof.
- 25. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein the virus infection is caused by Paramyxoviruses.
- 26. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein the virus infection is caused by Orthomyxoviruses.
- 27. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein the virus infection is caused by Herpes simplex-1.

 $28.\ \,$ (New) $\,$ The method of claim 24 wherein the virus infection is caused by HIV.